

Sub-Strategy Detail  
HEPATITIS C EDUCATION

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| Agency Code: | Agency Name:               | Prepared By: | Statewide Goal Code: | Strategy Code: |
| 501          | Texas Department of Health |              | 3                    | 01-03-01       |

GOAL: 01  
 OBJECTIVE: 03  
 STRATEGY: 01 Sexually Transmitted Diseases (HIV)  
 SUB-STRATEGY: 03 Hepatitis C Education

| CODE DESCRIPTION               | EXPENDED<br>FY 2000 | EXPENDED<br>FY 2001 | BUDGETED<br>FY 2002 |
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| OBJECTS OF EXPENSE:            |                     |                     |                     |
| 1001 Salaries and Wages        | 111,591             | 217,787             | 185,520             |
| 2000 Operating Costs           | 102,502             | 872,758             | 970,687             |
| 4000 Grants                    | 112,402             | 733,425             | 25,000              |
| 5000 Capital Expenditures      | 0                   | 0                   | 4,725               |
| TOTAL, OBJECTS OF EXPENSE      | 326,495             | 1,823,970           | 1,185,932           |
| METHOD OF FINANCING:           |                     |                     |                     |
| 001 General Revenue            | 326,495             | 1,823,970           | 1,185,932           |
| TOTAL, METHOD OF FINANCING     | 326,495             | 1,823,970           | 1,185,932           |
| FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITIONS | 3.1                 | 5.8                 | 4.8                 |

Sub-strategy Description and Justification:

The passage of HB 1652 by the 76th Legislature amended Chapter 93 of the Health and Safety Code by requiring an Education and Prevention Program for Hepatitis C. The responsibility for implementing this education and prevention program to prevent morbidity among those already infected and to prevent the spread of disease is shared by the Bureau of HIV and STD Prevention, the Bureau of Communicable Disease Control and the Bureau of Laboratories. The Bureau of HIV and STD Prevention is responsible for educating health care professionals by developing and implementing hepatitis C training for health care professionals in public settings. In addition, the Bureau of HIV and STD Prevention is responsible for implementing hepatitis C prevention counseling and testing programs for persons at high risk of hepatitis C infection. These services will be offered at current HIV/STD testing sites through contracts with local health departments and community based organizations. Laboratory testing services will be provided by the Bureau of Laboratories.

External/Internal Factors Impacting Sub-strategy:

This strategy contributes to meeting Goal A (Prevention and Promotion), Objective 3 (Decrease the level of preventable diseases, injuries and conditions...), of the TDH Strategic Plan. Bureau activities are intended to help persons at high risk for hepatitis C avoid infection through prevention counseling and to identify persons with hepatitis C infection so that they can prevent further transmission and seek treatment. Crude estimates indicate that a large number of persons in Texas may be unaware of their infection with hepatitis C and many more are practicing behaviors that may place them at risk for infection. Therefore, it is likely that Bureau prevention counseling and testing programs will only be able to reach a fraction of the persons at high risk for or infected with hepatitis C.